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| For: A METHOD, SOFTWARE | : | |
| PROGRAM, AND SYSTEM FOR | : | |
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| PLURALITY OF TRANSACTIONS | : | |

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 20, 2006 OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

This Amendment is filed in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 20, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The April 20, 2006 Office Action provided a period of 3 months in which to file a response, i.e., by July 20, 2006. A petition for a one-month extension of time is being filed herewith. Accordingly, a reply to the April 20, 2006 Office Action is now due August 20, 2006 and this Amendment is being timely filed.